

REMARKS

The Examiner's Action mailed on July 17, 2007, has been received and its contents carefully considered.

In this Amendment, Applicant has editorially amended the specification, and amended independent claim 1 to include the subject matter of allowable claim 5, and intervening claims 3 and 4. Claims 3-5 have been canceled. Claim 1 is the independent claim, and claims 1, 2 and 6 remain pending in the application. For at least the following reasons, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance.

Initially, it is noted with great appreciation that the Examiner's Action has considered the subject matter of dependent claim 5 as being allowable over the art of record. As such, independent claim 1 has been amended to include the subject matter of allowable claim 5 as well as the subject matter of intervening claims 3 and 4. As such, all of the Examiner's prior art rejections have been rendered moot, and this application has therefore been placed into condition for allowance. Such action, and the passing of this case to issue are requested.

Should the Examiner feel that a conference would help to expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is hereby invited to contact the undersigned counsel to arrange for such an interview.

Should any fee be required, the Director is hereby authorized to charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 18-0002.

Respectfully submitted,



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